GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3382 TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.08.2023

OPERATION OF NEW TRAIN IN MAHARASHTRA

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of Vande Bharat trains currently in operation in different States of the country along with the date of commencement of operations of the said trains, route-wise;
- (b) the number of more such trains likely to be operated in the coming years along with the names of routes and the names of the States particularly in Maharashtra where the said trains are proposed to be operationalised;
- (c) the present production capacity for manufacture of Vande Bharat coaches in the coach factories; and
- (d) the number of trains that can be operated in a year using the present capacity and the manner in which the Railways proposes to improve the same?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(a) to (d) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3382 BY SHRI HEMANT TUKARAM GODSE AND SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 09.08.2023 REGARDING OPERATION OF NEW TRAIN IN MAHARASHTRA

(a) to (d) As on 3rd August, 2023, 50 Vande Bharat train services are running across the Indian Railways, connecting States having Broad Gauge (B.G.) electrified network. These are operational on the Varanasi-New Delhi-Varanasi Vande Bharat Express (15/02/2019), New Delhi-Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra-New Delhi Vande Bharat Express (03/10/2019), Mumbai Central-Gandhinagar Capital-Mumbai Central Vande Bharat Express (30/09/2022), New Delhi-Amb Andaura-New Delhi Vande Bharat Express (13/10/2022), MGR Chennai-Mysuru-MGR Chennai Vande Bharat Express (12/11/2022), Bilaspur-Nagpur-Bilaspur Vande Bharat Express (11/12/2022), Howrah-New Jalpaiguri-Howrah Vande Bharat Express (30/12/2022), Visakhapatnam-Secunderabad-Visakhapatnam Vande Bharat Express (15/01/2023), Mumbai-Sri Saingar Shirdi-Mumbai Vande Bharat Express (10/02/2023), Mumbai-Solapur-Mumbai Vande Bharat Express (10/02/2023), Rani Kamlapati-Hazrat Nizamuddin-Rani Kamlapati Vande Bharat Express (01/04/2023), Secunderabad-Tirupati-Secunderabad Vande Bharat **Express** (08/04/2023), MGR Chennai-Coimbatore-MGR Chennai Vande Bharat Express (08/04/2023), Ajmer-Delhi Cantt.-Ajmer Vande Bharat Express Kasaragod-Thiruvananthapuram-Kasaragod (12/04/2023), Vande Bharat Express (25/04/2023), Howrah-Puri-Howrah Vande Bharat Express (18/05/2023), Anand Vihar (T)-Dehradun-Anand Vihar (T) Vande Bharat Express (25/05/2023), New Jalpaiguri-Guwahati-New Jalpaiguri Vande Bharat Express (29/05/2023), KSR Bengaluru-Dharwad-KSR Bengaluru Vande Bharat Express (27/06/2023), Rani Kamlapati-Jabalpur-Rani Kamlapati Vande Bharat Express (27/06/2023), Indore-Bhopal-Indore Vande Bharat Express (27/06/2023), Patna-Ranchi-Patna Vande Bharat Express (27/06/2023), Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj (T)-Madgaon-Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj (T) Vande Bharat Express (27/06/2023), Gorakhpur-Lucknow-Gorakhpur Vande Bharat Express (07/07/2023), Jodhpur-Sabarmati-Jodhpur Vande Bharat Express (07/07/2023) routes.

The above Vande Bharat services include 10 Vande Bharat services which are catering to the needs of stations located in the State of Maharashtra. Moreover, introduction of trains, including Vande Bharat services, is an ongoing process on Indian Railways subject to operational feasibility, traffic justification etc.

Indian Railways Production Units have the capability to manufacture about 7500 coaches per annum including Linke Hofmann Busch (LHB), Vande Bharat, Electric Multiple Unit (EMU), Mainline Electric Multiple Unit (MEMU) etc. The yearly product-mix for production at these PUs is decided as per requirement for running additional number of trains.
